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Corn Acreage In County Cut 13 Per Cent

Corn acreage allotments for Lancaster County this year have been reduced 13 per cent, cutting 13,605 acres from last year's figures. Acreage this year will be 80,189.

Allotments are based on 73½ per cent of the average acreage of corn grown on the farm, where last year the figure was 86½ per cent.

Individual allotment notices will be mailed to farmers Feb. 28, and appeals on allotments may be filed within 15 days of mailing date.

Only 17 Lancaster County farmers have applied for loans on their 1955 crop, although the deadline for applications is not until May 31.

(Editor's Note: Reductions are in force in the Corn Belt too, for an allotment of 83 acres has been established on a 400-acre farm, the editor was advised this week)

Farmers failing to comply with acreage allotments are not eligible to participate in corn price-support programs.

Grass, Fodder Fires On Lancaster Farms

Three Lancaster County farms were threatened with fire damage this week. A grass fire on the George Ludwig Farm, R1 New Holland, threatened buildings. The Liberty Fire Co., New Holland, extinguished the blaze.

At the Mrs. Lillie Caldwell farm, tenanted by John Blank and family west of Intercourse, fire in fodder was extinguished by the Intercourse Fire Co. before damage resulted. High winds hampered firemen.

Quarryville fireman Tuesday extinguished a grass fire that threatened the farm home of James Poole near Little Britain. There was no damage.

Trichinosis Outbreak In Lebanon County

Three positive cases of trichinosis in Lebanon County have prompted warnings that pork must be thoroughly cooked before serving. At Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon, three persons were hospistalized. Mrs. Esther Sheetz of Myerstown, Russell Strickler, Newmantown, while tests on Gerald Walters, Lebanon, proved inconclusive.

Fresh pork sausage was blamed. All pork should be cooked thoroughly.

CHESTER CO. TRACTOR CLUB

David Groff, Oxford, has been elected president of the Chester County 4-H. Tractor Maintenance Club Others named were Edwin Hoover, Parkesburg, vice president; Owen Groff, Jr, Oxford, secretary; Charles Griest, Coatesville, news reporter.

Straight, True — Snow Covered

Rocky ground provided some problems in construction of this 78-by-8 foot trench silo on the Harry Griffith Farm operated by Robert C. Groff north of Quarryville, one of two stops on Friday's Lancaster County Trench Silo tour. At the far end of the pit, County Agent Max Smith and Penn State Extension Agricultural Engineer explain items of cost, construction, capacity and use. Around 40 attended the session. (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

Garden Spot Holstein Sale Top at $535

Prices were considered surprisingly good in the 157th Garden Spot Holstein sale Thursday of last week, averaging $293 on 90 lots of purebreds, totaling $26,374.

A. G. Herman, Waynesfield, Ohio, paid the $535 top for a cow consigned by James Corrigan, Staten Island, N. Y. Top on bulls was $335, Piney Hill Farms, Washington, N. J., consignor, and Joseph Schott, Lebanon, buyer. Four cows brought $500 or more. Three other cows, however, sold for more than $500, and 12 brought $400 to $500.

Buyers from this area included: from Ephrata, David L. Sauder; Kinzers, J. Eby Hershey and V. Emanuel Hoover; Lampeter, John Witmer; Lancaster, C Lloyd Dagen, Robert H. Rohrer, and William D. Rohrer; Manheim, J. Harold Balmer, G. E. Culp and A. H. Weidman; Mount Joy, James M. Eshelman; New Holland, Isaac W. Hurst and John M. Weaver; Quarryville, Park Moore; Ronks, John King, and Clarence Mellinger; Strasburg, Earl L. Groff; Washington Boro, Ezra D. Heisey and Warren Heisey; Willow Street, Jacob Heisler.

Two Cattle Die From Rabies on Solanco Farm

Tests are still underway to determine a definite diagnosis of rabies in two head of cattle that died on the farm of Clayton G. Rohrer, Lancaster Farming was advised today.

Mr. Rohrer lives on R1, Quarryville.

An Angus cow which died Thursday night and a Holstein heifer that died Friday night showed definite signs, according to Dr P. V. Clarkson, Lancaster agent in charge of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Animal Husbandry.

Heads Being Analyzed

Their heads have been sent to the Bolton Center division of the Pennsylvania State University near Toughkenamon for laboratory analysis. Negri bodies found in the brain showed definite symptoms but findings must yet be confirmed.

Earlier this month Mr. Rohrer lost two head of cattle, making his total loss from suspected rabies four to date. His herd has been placed under a 100-day quarantine.

From Wild Animals

There are no other reported cases in the vicinity, Dr. Clarkson advised, although it could have been transmitted by wild rabid animals. Recently a rabid fox was killed near Holtwood, and several rabid wild animals have been reported in Chester County.

Mr. Rohrer first believed the animals had died of poisoning, but no indications along this line were found at the rendering plant.

Dr. Robert W. McMullen, Quarryville veterinarian, adds there are no additional cases of rabies on the Rohrer farm.

Hydroponics On Market; Taste Of Tomato Argued

By ERNEST J. NEILL

Hydroponic tomatoes are making another appearance on the public markets at Lancaster, raising the question of several years standing again, "Do they lack flavor?"

Those who like their tomatoes fresh off Lancaster County fields, ripened and warmed by the sun, argue that the Florida imports — grown without soil — lack the tastiness of the fresh, homegrown varieties.

Since tomatoes are so perishable, imports from the South, particularly Cuba and Florida are necessary in the Garden Spot during the bleak winter months. The signs, "Water Grown Tomatoes," or "Hydro-Organic Grown Tomatoes" immediately raise questions.

Jack-in-the-Beanstalk

Looking back over a visit to Florida and the Bahama Islands a few years ago, this writer recalls his first encounter with the new science of chemical farming in Miami. There city blocks had been converted into gardens without soils. Vegetables grew from sterile sand, and climbed to Jack-in-the-Beanstalk height, feeding artificially on chemicals mixed in solutions that the grower himself could control.

The growth of hydroponics might be credited to the United States Army, for in the islands of the Pacific during the last World War vegetables grown by natives were forbidden as Army fare since human excrement was used as fertilizer. Soils, worn out, and in many cases almost sterile volcanic ash, would pro-

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Dairy Day Will Feature Exhibits And Authorities

Exhibits and dairy authorities will be featured in the third Lancaster County-wide Dairy Day Wednesday, Feb. 29, at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, it was announced today by Chairman, M. M. Smith, Lancaster County Agricultural Agent

"This educational, all-day meeting is open to the public and will be conducted by our Extension Service in cooperation with various breed organizations, milk cooperatives, and local milk distributors, Mr. Smith said.

"All the Things We've Wanted," a sound motion picture, will open the program at 9:30 a. m., although an educational exhibit of the various types of comfort stalls and related barn equipment, will be on display for public inspection from 9 00 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Dr. Milo Opens Program

Dr H. A. Milo, director of the bureau of animal industry in the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, will speak at 10 a. m. on "Progress in Brucellosis Eradication," followed by J. O. Pepper, extension entomologist from Pennsylvania State University, speaking at 10:20 a. m. on "Insect Control in Forage Crops."

Continuing at 10:50 a. m., Joe Nageotte, extension dairy specialist from Penn State, will tell of "Efficient Dairy Feeding." Winding up the morning session starting at 11:30, will be John W. Newlin, associate counsel, Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative, speaking on "Value of Dairy Farm Inspection."

Sessions will adjourn for lunch between 12 noon and 1 30 p. m., with lunch available for $1.00 per person. Milk, ice cream and cheese will be donated by various milk distributors.

Final Talk "Cow Comfort"

Opening the afternoon session at 1:30 will be "Water Supplies and Waste Disposal for Dairy Farms," by H. B. Freeman, chief sanitary engineer of the U. S. Public Health Service, New York City. At 2:00 p. m., Ivan E. Parkin, extension dairy specialist from Pennsylvania State University will tell of "Management of Bulk Milk Tanks"

Final talk on the afternoon's program, starting at 2:30, will be "Cow Comfort," by Mr. Nageotte.

From 3:00 to adjournment at 3.30, a general discussion will be held.

"This is the third year for this county-wide event, and we are very anxious to inform every dairyman in the County," Mr. Smith added. "These speakers are all authorities in their respective field and the committee is soliciting the attention of local dairymen; many practical suggestions will be presented."

TOBACCO ACREAGE CUTS

The House late last week voted to cancel tobacco acreage allotments cuts on 1956 burley, Maryland, dark air cured and fire cured. Cuts originally planned were 20 per cent less dark air cured, 19 per cent less burley, Maryland tobacco and fire cured.

Livestock Sums Steady, Market Is Depressed

By David S. Lorenson, Reporter
USDA Market News Bureau

Lancaster, Feb. 21, (Two-day review) While receipts of livestock at the Lancaster stockyards the first two days this week were about the same as a week ago, another liberal offering at the major markets in the west was a depressing factor on this week's trading. Other lower price influences included a draggy dressed meat trade in eastern consuming centers.

Slaughter steers and heifers at Lancaster sold on a steady to weak basis compared with late last week and some prices were 50c lower Particularly hard to sell were good and low choice shortfed steers averaging 1200 lbs and over and some sales in these weights and grades reached the lowest levels of the current season. Demand also slackened for cows and prices were 25-50c lower Bulls held steady.

Replacements Slow

In the face of recent price declines on fed steers farmers were reluctant to pay current prices for replacement cattle and trading was slow in the stocker and feeder division. A number of sales late Monday, however, held mostly steady with last week's close. Bulk of the good and choice fed steers early this week turned from $17.00-20.00, other good grades sold down to $16.50. A few lots and loads high choice 990-1256-lb steers brought $28.50-21.00, one load choice 1325-lb steers realized $21.25 and one load prime 1206-lb steers brought $22.50. Only six head Prime 1050-lb steers sold up to $24 00.

Commercial and good heifers $14 50-17.00, a few choice to $19.00. Utility and commercial cows Tuesday sold from $11.50-13 00; cutter grades mostly $10 00-12.00, a few high yielding cutters to $12 50 and canner cows brought $8.50-9.75. Utility and commercial bulls sold from $15.00-17.50, a few good 800-1100-lb butcher bulls brought $18.00-19 50; Cutter grades $13.50-14.50, poor clearance.

Stockers and Feeders

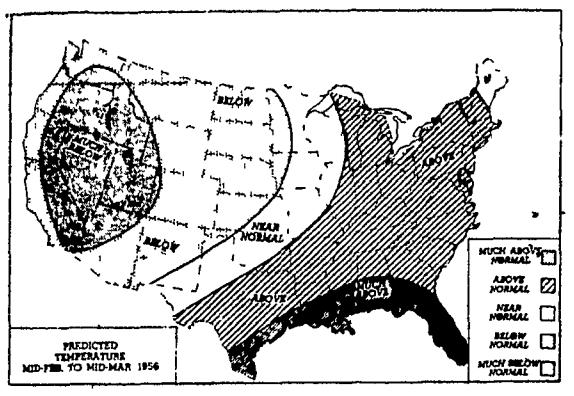
Most Medium and Good 600-900-lb stocker and feeder steers brought $15.00-17.00, two loads mostly good 1060-lb feeder steers $15.25 and a part load 850-lb choice feeders earned $18 50 A few good and choice stock steer calves $19.00-22.00.

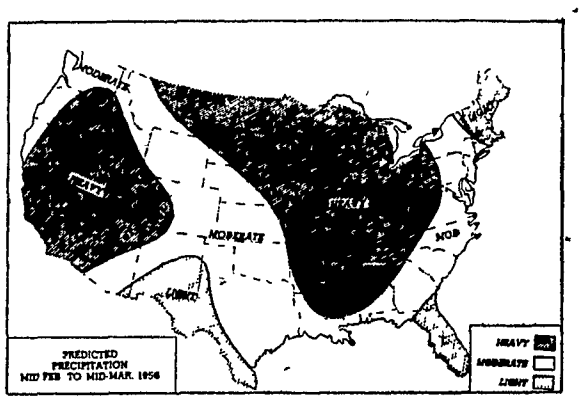
CALVES· Veal calves around $1 00 lower this week or as much as $3 00 lower than last Monday. Bulk good and choice vealers $23 00-26.50, high choice and prime $27.00-31.00, odd head to $32.00. Utility and Commercial vealers mostly $15.00-20.00.

HOGS Local supplies of hogs were liberal this week and prices for the first two days were steady to 50c lower than last week's close. Barrows and gilts U. S. grade No. 1, 2 and 3, 180-230 lbs sold from $12.50-13.25, several lots 200-220 lbs mostly No. 1 and 2 brought $13.50-14.00, a few $14 50 in a limited trade. Weights 240-270 lbs turned from $11.50-12.50. Sows brought $8.00-10.50.

SHEEP· A small supply of wooled slaughter lambs sold mostly steady this week. Bulk good and choice wooled slaughter lambs $19.00-21.50 a few choice 80-90-lb weights to $22.00. Utility and low good brought $15 00-18.50 A small lot 65-lb winter new-crop lambs brought $24 00.

Outlook, Mid-February to Mid-March 1956





The Weather Bureau's 30-day outlook for the period from mid-February to mid-March calls for temperatures to average below normal in the western half of the country, with greatest departures in the Plateau Region. East of the Mississippi above normal temperatures are predicted, with warmest weather along the Gulf Coast.

Precipitation is expected to be subnormal in New England, the South Atlantic States, and the Southern Plains. In the remainder of the nation above normal amounts of rain and snow are indicated.

Thursday Sale Of Broilers Moves Lower

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown) (Sales Report, Sale #126, Thursday, Feb. 16, 1956)—Broiler prices moved a quarter cent lower Thursday of last week compared to the preceding Tuesday at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange An average of 22 29 was scored on 36 lots totaling 118,830 birds Thirty-six lots totaling 119,190 were listed. Thirty-three lots totaling 116,750 broilers sold from 21½ to 23, averaging 22.29, two lots totaling 1700 Leghorn fowl sold at 18¾ and one lot of 380 caponettes brought 30¼ cents

Here are Thursday sales by lot number, seller and grower, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price.

16-1, Elvin Nolt, 6700 Red Vantress, 9-5, to Penna. Dutch Farms, 22½; 16-2, Elvin Nolt, 380 Red Vantress Caponettes, 15 wks. to Ray W. Gibble, 30¼; 16-3, Eugene Schlosnagle, 5600 Red Vantress, 9-1, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc, 22¼; 16-4, Eugene Schlosnagle, 2800 White Vantress, 9-1, to S E. Davis, 22¼; 16-5, C. J. Hiestand, Jr, 1100 DeKalb fowl yearlings, to Carl B. Risser, 18¾; 16-6, Miller & Bushong (Elmer Garber), 2200 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Roy E. Ream, 23;

Miller and Bushong was also seller of lots 16-7 through 16-15, with grower indicated in parentheses: 16-7, (Leonard Deitz), 4000 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 22½; 16-8 (Harold Stansfield) 2750 Indian River Cross, 9-3, to Grimes & Hauer, 22½; 16-9 (Harold Stansfield) 2875 White Vantress, 9-3, to Mandata Poultry, 22½; 16-10 (Harold Stansfield) 2800 White Vantress, 9-3, to Mandata Poultry, 22½; 16-10 (Harold Stansfield) 2875 Red Vantress, 9-3, to Grimes & Hauer, 22; 16-11, (Harold Stansfield), 2875 Red Vantress, 9-3, to Grimes & Hauer, 22; 16-12 (Mearl Long), 1100 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Carl B. Risser, 23; 16-13, (Mearl Long), 1500 Meatpackers, 10 wks, to H. W. Longacre, 22¾; 16-14 (Mearl Long) 2600 White Rock Cornish Cross, 10 wks, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 21½; 16-15, (Mearl Long), 3400 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Tilley's Poultry, 22½;

16-16, O. Kenneth McCracken (Eugene Weaver), 750 White Mountains, 9-2, to Walter B. Lehman, 21¾; 16-17, Robert H Barr (J Clayton Charles) 5700 White Vantress, 9-3, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22; 16-18, Norman Newcomer (Arthur), 2700 Meatpackers, 9-6, to Tilley's Poultry, 21¾; 16-19, Miller & Bushong (H. Glenn Kauffman), 3000 Red Vantress, 9-1, to Walter C Mellinger, 22¾, 16-20, A. K. Earhart, 1300 White Vantress, 9 wks, to R J. Brendle, 22½; 16-21, Wenger's (Joe Deitz), 3000 Red Vantress, 10-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 22,

16-22, Allen E. Moyer, 1000 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 22¼; 16-23, Allen E. Moyer, 1000 Red Vantress, 9 wks, to Thomas M. Bross, 22; 16-24, Paul Metzler (Richard Thompson-, 8400 White Vantress, 8-5, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22½; 16-25, Earl L. Newcomer, 1600 Meatpackers, 9-6, to Roy E. Ream, 22; 16-26, Miller & Bushong, (Arthur Powl), 6400 Indian River Cross, 10-2, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr, 22; 16-27, Miller & Bushong (John Garber-, 1900 White Vantress, 9-6, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 22; 16-28, Mervin Miller, 600 Leghorn Fowl Yearlings, to Carl B. Risser, 18¾; 16-29, Fred Bernhard, 360 White Vantress, 10-2, withdrawn prior to sale.

16-30, Charles D. Warfel, II, 4350 White Mountains, 9-6, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 22¼; 16-31, Charles D. Warfel, II, 4850 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 22½; 16-32, John L. Landis, 4500 White Vantress, 8-2, to H. W. Longacre, 22, 16-33, Glenn Herr (Harry Hess), 1900 Red Vantress, 9 wks to Leola Poultry, 22¼; 16-33A, Glenn Herr (Harry Hess, 3800 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22¼;

Broilers Gain Cent a Pound In Tuesday Sale

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown) (Sales Report for Tuesday, Feb 21)—Prices advanced almost a cent to bring the average up to 23 25 cents in the Tuesday auction of broilers at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange.

Complete market reports by lots were unavailable due to the Washington Birthday holiday

Listed, offered and sold were 11 lots totaling 37,400 birds that went in a price range of 22¼ to 24½ cents a pound Top was paid for some capettes at 29 cents

Daniel Good, R1 Columbia, paid the 24½ cent top on broilers for 800 White Vantress crosses, ten weeks, three days old, grown by J Lloyd Rohrer, R7 Lancaster.

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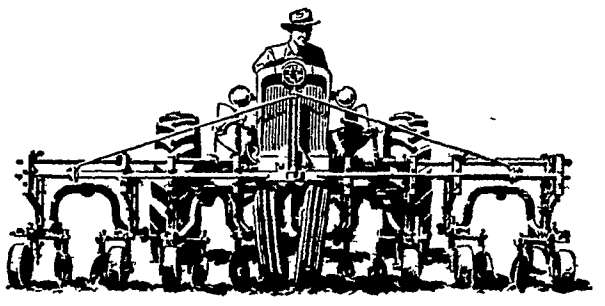
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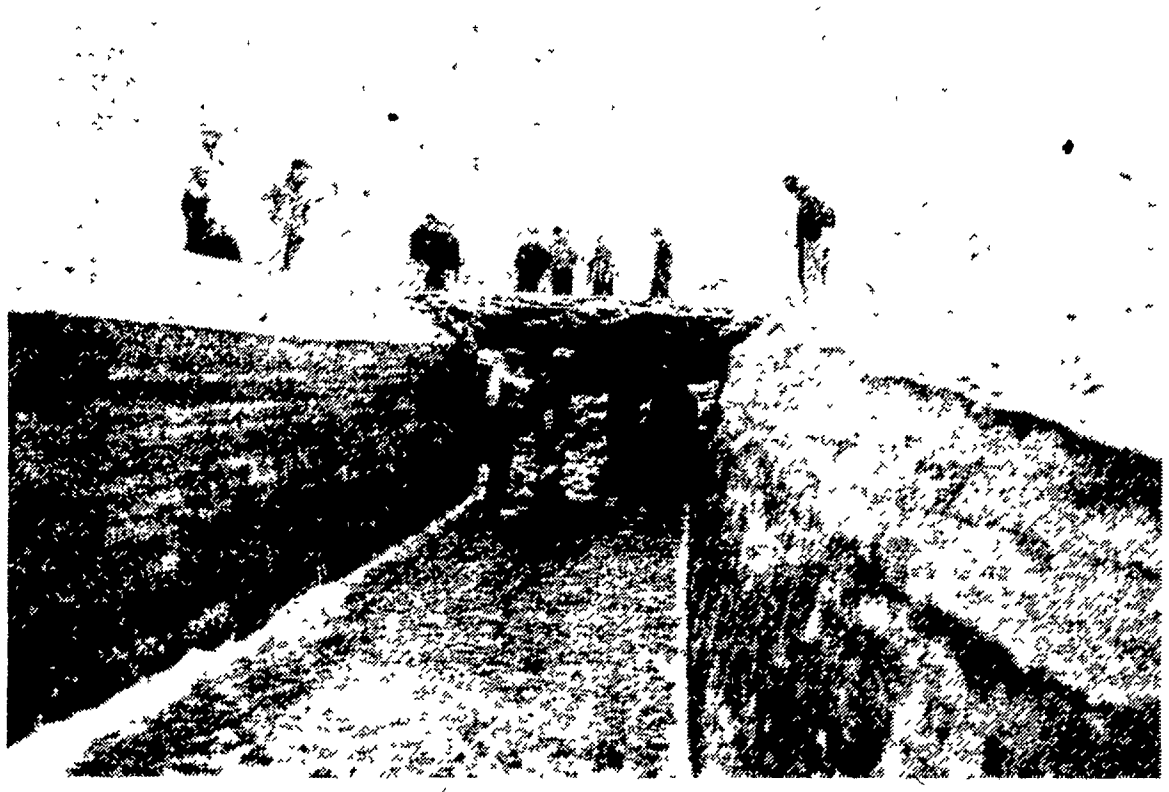
Study of Trench Silo Construction



Around 40 Lancaster County farmers and Future Farmers of America attended each of two Friday demonstrations on the practical use of trench silos. Here is shown a general view from the south end of the 8-by-78-foot north-south silo on the Harry Griffith farm operated by Robert C. Groff north of Quarryville, stop No. 1 on the tour. Concrete walls taper outward, allowing a 14-foot width at the top. About 10 feet high, this will hold around 180 to 200 tons of silage, which Mr. Groff uses to feed 50 head of Holsteins. (See story in this issue). (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

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Q A friend of mine owes the Federal Government for income tax. He received three warnings to pay but ignored them all Last pay day he was told by the paymaster that a Government agent had confiscated his whole pay and will continue to do so until the entire bill is paid. He works at a Government installation. I say this is illegal and would like your interpretation of the law as applied to both government and private industry. R. S.

A. The Government has the right to reach almost all of your friend's property, including accrued wages in the hands of his employer. Only certain items, such as wearing apparel, are exempted.

The law is applicable both to employes engaged in private industry and to those working for the Government. But the Government must comply with statutory requirements of notice and demand and must continue to comply with them if it wishes to reach future earnings. And perhaps some special circumstances are present which would permit your friend to recover his wages To fully protect himself he should see his lawyer.

Elverson Herd Tops Red Rose January Marks

Prilly Wayne Bessie Homestead, aged cow in the registered Holstein herd of Job Stoltzfus, R2 Elverson, topped the January records of the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association, producing 742 5 lbs of butterfat and 17,502 lb of milk during the month.

Levi S. Stotzfus, R1 Ronks, placed second with an aged cow, Maybrook Rag Apple Sarah, who produced 17,698 lbs of milk 730 lbs of butterfat.

Topping the herds was that of Harry H. Ranck, R1 Ronks, with 24 registered Holsteins producing 1,877 lbs of milk and 73.8 lbs butterfat in the period. Second place went to Elam B. Beiler, R1 Gordonville, with 28 registered and grade Holsteins yielding 1,-273 lbs of milk, 51.9 lbs butterfat.

Placing in individual monthly butterfat production were: 1, Dolly, a registered Holstein owned by Jacob R Hoover, R; Gap, with 2,483 lbs milk and 126 6 lbs butterfat; 2. Skylark, registered Holstein from the John G. Stumpf herd, R7 Lancaster milked three times daily, producing 2,756 lbs milk and 124 lbs fat.

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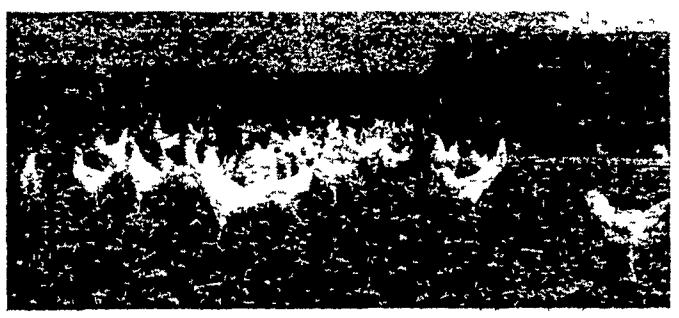

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Market News

Live Poultry

Philadelphia, Feb. 21, (USDA) Market about steady. Demand good for about adequate supplies. Large Barred Rock Pullets 30-35c, White Rocks 31-33c, Vantress Whites 28-29c. Large White Rock Caponettes 28-30c, few lots fancy Quality 31-32c, ordinary Quality 27c, Hylines 28-29c. White Rock Fryers 24-26c, Hylines 23, carried Cross Fryers 23-24c without clearing. Turkeys unsettled. Demand fair for more than adequate supplies Few lots heavy type Young Hens 43-45c, Young Toms 30c.

Receipts Feb. 20 included Maryland 444 lbs, Delaware 200 lbs.

Wholesale seling prices No. 1 and fancy Quality Broilers or fryers heavy type 3-4 lbs 23-26 Pullets 4½ lbs and over 28-35. Hens, heavy type, 26-30 light type 16-21 Old Roosters 12-13. Ducks Muscovy 20-25. Turkeys Young Hens 43-45, Young Toms 30.

EGGS

Philadelphia, Feb 21 (USDA) Market about steady. Increased supplies were more than sufficient to meet the fair demand.

Wholesale selling prices: Minimum 10 PCT AA Quality large 45-48, white 44-45, brown 44-44½, medium white 42-43, brown 42-42½. Extras, Minimum 60 PCT A Quality large 45-50#, white 43½-44½, brown none, mixed 43-44, medium white 42-42½, brown - none, mixed 41-41½. Standards 41-42, current receipts none, checks 38-39.

Receipts Feb. 20—8,506 cases including 8,499 cases by truck.

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TRENCH SILOS

There was a day when corn headed straight for the crib or shock, when hay went straight to the mow or stack, and grass grew only for pasture feed.

But today efficiency has changed the picture. Trench silos have come into increasing importance. Interest has gained tremendously.

Just the other day, when the weather was almost as miserable as could be, a couple score turned out at the Harry Griffith farm — operated by Bob Groff — down in southern Lancaster County to see and hear what opportunities a trench silo offers.

Lancaster County farms are limited acreage-wise. Every acre must produce to the utmost, but Bob has harvested a couple hundred tons of feeds from nine acres of sorghum-sudan-soybean combinations. He sought to cut his cost of producing milk, to cut the expensive process of buying hay to carry his Holsteins through the winter.

Out west and down south farmers turned to trench silos and bunker silos three, four, five years ago, when continued drought trimmed feed crops below the bare minimum. Drought-burned corn, hays, grasses, all went into silos. Even in the corn-rich Corn Belt, where dry weather checked the crop at knee-height, bulldozers were busy, digging out hillside pits. Sometimes even weeds went into the silage, plus Johnson grass, small grains, legume hays — anything that could be salvaged to produce feed.

It saved many herds. Out in Kansas, Francis Perrier of Greenwood County, said "Silage I had stored in 1950 is what has kept me from going out of the registered Angus business, because it has furnished my stock with roughage for the last five years." The 700 tons he stored that year had to last through five years of flood and drought. In 1951 floodwaters completely covered his trench silo, full at the time, but there was no apparent damage to the emergency store.

Even the proud Corn Belters, who once could see only corn in cribs, turned to silage. And silage saved their stock. In the flat fields of the Mississippi Delta country, on the bluegrass lands of Kentucky, in the hills of the Ozarks, grass silage came into its own — insurance against drought.

In Lancaster County, silage is gaining prestige, as a cost-cutter in a phase of agriculture that is aware of increasing production and marketing costs. It's a safe bet you'll see more and more trench silos being dozed out of the fertile fields of the Garden Spot.

HELPING HOG PRICES

Out in Missouri, hundreds of farmers have decided to take action to boost hog producers' income by a billion dollars next year.

Here is the three-point program outlined at a meeting of the Missouri Farm Bureau:

1. Selling 10 per cent of sows and gilts;
2. Marketing 1955 fall-farrowed pigs at 210 to 220 lbs and
3. Working with all groups in an effort to produce hogs with more red meat and less fat.

"If we reduce our pork supply by ten per cent," said E. M. (Smokey) Woods, Missouri Farm Bureau livestock marketing director, "we will increase the hog producers' income by one billion dollars next year." He added that selling hogs 10 lbs lighter would reduce lard tonnage by about 300 million lbs and the total pork and lard supply by 3 to 4 per cent. "This reduction," he continued, "will add $1 to $3 cwt to the price of live hogs."

But one farmer attending the conference capped the climax when he said, "Let's dispel once and forever that we're looking for government controls to help us out of this situation, and God help us if the government does step in."

SIGNS OF SPRING

Even with the wet chill, the soggy snow, the cold days and the warm days of February, there are signs of Spring in Lancaster County. There's a tinge of green in the lands, ready to burst forth, impatient as a race horse at the starting gate. The Groundhog says Spring can't be far off. The restless earth is ready to burst at the seams with a cloak of green. Soon will end the dull drab of winter, and the finest season of all will creep up — long before the garden tools are oiled, long before seeds are all purchased. Man's impatience to get back into the fields is equalled only by the impetuous coming of Spring.

50 Years Ago

This Week on Lancaster Farms

(This Week In 1905)
By JACK REICHARD

Tax Guns, Legalized Fist Fights Suggested

The nation's tax structure was as hard to fix in 1906 as in 1956. Recommendations of all kinds were submitted for consideration, 50 years ago. One tax-minded citizen, in 1906, favored the imposition of a heavy federal tax on all firearms in the country, pointing out that Americans no longer were compelled to shoot wild life in order to live, or go about armed to protect their lives and property. A $20 tax was suggested on all guns and pistols, which he claimed would not only produce needed revenue, but also reduce annual intentional and accidental homicides 50 per cent. The defender of tax on firearms said: "Tax the guns out of existence, and legalize fist fights for the settlement of personal difficulties".

Tree Stump Removal A Major Problem

A major problem of farmers, 50 years ago, was the removal of tree stumps from valuable farm land. A correspondent of the American Cultivator recommended the following procedure: "With an inch auger, bore a hole in the center of the stump ten inches deep and put into it about one-half pound oil of vitriol and cork the hole up tight. In six months the whole stump and roots will become so rotted that they can be easily eradicated".

Rural Mail Carriers Reported News

Down in the heart of Texas many farmers were reported using a novel scheme to obtain news and other information from rural mail carriers, 50 years ago. A blackboard was placed above the mail box, with a box of chalk conveniently nearby, for the postman to chalkup the price of cotton and other market quotations. The idea was said to be popular among farmers and carriers.

Paid $18,000 For Shorthorn Bull In 1906

At a sale of thoroughbred cattle held at Chicago, a party of Argentinian buyers paid $18,000 for a Shorthorn bull, reported a record high in the United States up to 1906.

Farmhand Highest Paid Laborer In 1906

An expert on labor stated there was no labor worker in the United States who drew higher wages for the same amount of work than hired men on American farms. The average farmhand wage in 1906 was reported at $35 per month, in addition to board, room and washing.

25 Years Ago

2,500 Carloads Of Tomatoes Imported Annually

Twenty-five years ago this week Arthur Brisbane, noted newspaper columnist, reported the United States was receiving 2,500 carloads of tomatoes annually from the Los Mochis section of Mexico.

L. C. A. E. A. Met At Lancaster

Dr. John Henry Frizzell and Miss Rosalin Jewett, of Pennsylvania State College, were guest speakers at a meeting of the Lancaster County Agricultural Extension Association at Lancaster, 25 years ago this week. Others who spoke briefly included H. S. Nolt, F. S. Bucher, H. S. Sloat and Miss Anne Forbes.

Fulton Grange Members Hear Agriculture Head

At a meeting of the Fulton Grange, southern Lancaster County, with Worthy Master Charles A. McSparran, presiding, the Hon. John A. McSparran, State Secretary of Agriculture, spoke on the duties of his office, 25 years ago this week.

Mad Dogs Terrorize Neighborhood

Farmers residing in the Nine Points and Nickel Mines areas, were on the alert for several mad dogs terrorizing that neighborhood. One farmer, a steer and a number of farm dogs were reported bitten.

H. N. Snavely Elected E.F.E. Director

H. N. Snavely, a progressive farmer of Willow Street R.D.1, was elected a director for a three-year term of The Eastern Farmers' Exchange, at a meeting held at Springfield, Mass.

Combine $1,525 in Sale By Joseph, Donald Gehron

Highlighting the auction by Joseph and Donald Gehron in Little Britain Township, was a combine bringing $1,525, a tractor at $400, heifers from $70 to $130, cultipacker $105, and low wagon $190.

Kersey Bradley auctioned.

Blue Ball Dwelling Sells For $16,500; Clock $290

George Dosch, R1 East Earl, purchased the home offered by the estate of Emma M. Burkholder at Blue Ball for $16,500 in public sale. The double brick building has a four-car garage, and a lot 96 by 480 feet. Executors of the estate were David H. Martin and Henry H. Roover.

Fifty shares of Blue Ball National Bank stock sold from $115 to $118 per share, selling in blocks of five; a grandfather's clock went at $290 and a set of six old-fashioned chairs $46.50.

Auctioneers were Paul Z. Martin and Frank L. Steller.

Engle Cow Top $342.50 In Nickel Mines Sale

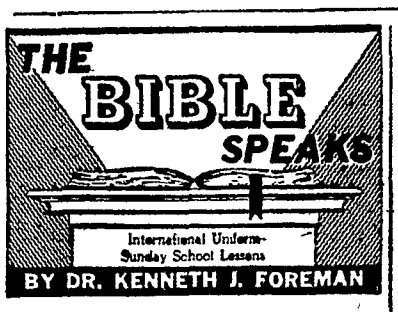
A top of $342.50 on cows and $167.50 on heifers was scored in the public sale held Monday by Aaron Engle, near Gap on the Nickel Mines Road.

Leroy Zook, Atglen auctioneer, also sold one tractor at $500, another at $405; cow clippers $27, cultivator $150, grain drill $237 and a hay drier $140.

Tractors Bring $1,700 and $880 in Martin Auction

In the Harvey H. Martin sale midway between Oregon and Landis Valley, tractors sold for $880 and $1700. Abe Diffenbach and Charles Bachman were auctioneers.

Other items sold included cows up to $270, corn $44 a ton, combine $490, manure spreader $310, milking machine $290, barley $1.20 per bu., culti-packer $125, corn planter $150.



Background Scripture: Luke 16:1-31; 19:11-27.
Devotional Reading: I Corinthians 9:16-27.

Faithful in Little

Lesson for February 26, 1956

EVERYBODY has some kind of a chance in this world. We all sometimes think we would do better if we had the same chance the next man has; but we may be deceiving ourselves. Jesus tells a story about three men each of whom had the very same chance. Each was given the same sum of money, and told to make what he could out of it. One man increased the money ten times; one multiplied it by five; but the third man did not even try. What if he had tried? Considering the sort of man he was, a pessimist and a self-confessed coward, it can be doubted whether he would have been able to do as well as the other two did. At any rate, Jesus calls our attention first of all to the fact that even if everybody had an equal chance, not everybody would do equally well with it.

Dr. Foreman

Gifts of God

We call persons "gifted" when they have some remarkable talent or ability. When we say this, we mean, or we ought to mean, that a man's capacities are not his own invention, they are God's gifts. Two thoughts go together here and must not be separated: the first is that what we have to start with and the opportunities which life brings us along the way, are really gifts of God. The other thought is that God expects us to develop these gifts, take advantage of these opportunities, do something with what we have. Caruso the famous tenor said once, modestly, that he deserved no credit for his magnificent voice. He was born with an extraordinary muscular development in his vocal cords, something possessed by few men. Most men could not be Carusos no matter how hard they try. On the other hand, if all Caruso had done was just to take his throat for granted, never learn singing, never go through the long discipline of the operatic star, the world would never have been thrilled by that golden voice. God's gifts plus our work, that is the divine plan.

Nothing Too Small

All this is simply the principle which the church calls "stewardship." It is simply recognizing that what God gives us, we are expected to use and make the most of, in his service. The trouble right here is that most of us are rather like that third man in Jesus' parable. We see these big, able people going "great guns," we see what wonderful things others are doing, and we know very well we can't do anything like that . . . so we don't try to do anything. Now it should be noted that in this little story, the returning king does not say to the second man, who made only five pounds, "You rascal, why didn't you make ten like this other man?" On the contrary he is pleased with the man, promotes him. What God really despises is not small results; what he despises is refusing to try. We are not reasonable before God for not being brighter or stronger than we are. We are responsible for what we do with such ability as we have, whether small or great.

In the Church

See how this works out in the life of the church. A superintendent asks a girl to take a children's class. Oh no, she can't do it, she says, backing away. She hasn't had experience, she isn't a professional school teacher, she hasn't had a lot of education, she isn't like that brilliant Mrs. So-and-So who was such a whiz of a Sunday school teacher for twenty years. So what? Suppose she's not a topnotcher? She has had little brothers and sisters, she can learn the Bible, she loves her Savior and she loves children too. Stewardship, for that girl, is not what she can do with Mrs. So-and-So's brains and experience, it's what she is willing to do with her own. Or take a man who is elected to a minor position in the church. He doesn't think he can do much in that office, so he declines it. But the question still is—not, what can he do with an office he doesn't have? But, what will he do with the office he does have? Another man does not contribute to the church because he has next to nothing he can give. He is afraid of comparisons. But God does not ask: How do you compare? Only: Are you faithful?

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Trench Silo Demonstration

Wintry winds blew, and a light covering of snow failed to curtail the crowds at Friday's Lancaster County trench silo demonstrations on the farms of John M. Groff, R1 Bareville, and the Harry Griffith Farm operated by Robert C. Groff just north of Quarryville on R3. Looking over the open end of the silage, with the concrete walls showing, are from left to right, Mr. Griffith; Bob Groff; John Walker, extension agricultural engineer from Penn State, and Max M. Smith, Lancaster County agricultural agent. (See accompanying story). (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

Trench Silo Cuts Feeding Costs in Lancaster County Dairy Enterprise

By ERNEST J. NEILL
Editor, Lancaster Farming

Seeking cheaper milk at the production level, Robert C. Groff has reduced hay purchases through use of a trench silo. Mr. Groff, who farms the Harry Griffith place just north of Quarryville, was one of two Lancaster County hosts in a trench silo demonstration Friday.

Explaining procedures and construction were M. M. Smith, Lancaster County agricultural agent, and John Walker, extension agricultural engineer from Pennsylvania State University.

John M. Groff Host Also

Around 40 attended the 9:30 a m meeting on the Robert C. Groff farm, and in the afternoon, similar sessions were held at the farm of John M. Groff, R1 Bareville, on Route 23.

Throughout the country, trench and bunker-type silos have been constructed to provide cheaper winter feed, and, in emergencies, to salvage drought-burned crops. Locally, however, the silos of this type have been used to get a maximum amount of feed from a minimum acreage.

At Bob Groff's, the latter is the case. He operates a farm of 148 acres, is now milking 13 head of Holsteins that produce 320 gallons of milk daily, and feeds 50 head an average of 60 lbs of silage a day.

Markets In Philadelphia

Bob is justly proud of the progress he is making since moving into Southern Lancaster County from the Stevens' neighborhood. Today he is selling Grade A milk to Abbott Dairies, Philadelphia, with the primary supply of winter feed coming from nine acres of land.

One hundred and ten loads — almost 200 tons — of soybeans and sorghum, or soybeans and sudan, went into the silo Using this combination, no preservatives were necessary.

Mr. Griffith pointed out that dirt mounds around the trench silo which runs north and south, opening to the south, divert rainwater, preventing erosion and spoilage Dimensions of the trench silo are 78 by eight feet at the bottom, 78 by 14 at the top. When filled 10 feet high, and well crowned, it holds an estimated 180 to 200 tons. So far, in the first year, success has been proved, with only two or three inches of spoilage.

Sixteen ton of sand, 24 tons of stone, and 114 bags of cement went into construction of this trench silo, at a total cost of $753 50.

Breakdown of Costs

Some dynamite was necessary to break up rock formations on the slope where construction was made Digging cost $160, blade work $82 50 and labor approximately $270, figured at $1 per hour. The first side was erected in one day, the second side was erected on a less steady basis, but was completed in 2½ days by three men.

"You should figure digging costs at approximately $1 per ton of capacity," Mr. Walker explained, showing the Griffith-Groff contruction figures very closely to customary estimates.

The Penn State engineer added that trench silos can be constructed over a period of years, and used during that time The first year they may be used without concrete, perhaps even into the second year, to spread the costs over a longer time

"It will take about one-third of a yard of concrete per ton of capacity, and when figured at $6 per ton, concrete should cost about $600," he added

Trench Silo Labor Saver

The trench silo is a labor saver, Mr Smith and Mr Walker told the group It is easier to fill, easier to use Costs are low. It may be built quickly, and there is less danger involved than in a tower silo.

Three men filled the silo in the southern end of the county in four days, using a field chopper

There is more spoilage in a trench silo than in an upright, but this loss is easily offset by cost. "You can't dig trench silos every where due to the water table being too shallow," Mr. Walker warned, "but in that case you can use a bunker-type silo."

"A trench silo is ideal when constructed on a bank, and there should be an eight-foot fall in each 80 feet to assure proper drainage," Mr. Walker advised.

At the same time, trench silos should not be constructed too near dug wells, or water may be blackened and contaminated, or too near the residence, where odors may be offensive. Construction close to the barn or feeding area is advised, allowing room for juices to seep away, and to save labor.

Any Hay Mixture

Sides should slope back two feet at the top in an eight-foot wall. Slanted sides ease packing, and will give less spoilage than vertical walls.

Bob uses a rubber-tired tractor to pack his silage, as weight is more concentrated on tires than on the broad footage of a track tractor.

Mr. Smith explained other features of a trench hilo especially crops that can be used. "Any hay mixture is good; soybeans sorghum or soybeans and sudan offer some of the best tonnage, and no preservative is necessary," he told.

If preservatives are necessary, any cereal crop chopped or ground can be used. Grasses and legumes need preservatives. Another good combination planting for Lancaster County is Canadian field peas and spring oats, using a bushel of inoculated peas to a bushel of oats to seed one acre.

"Make sure you combine crops that mature simultaneously," Mr Smith warned. In the peas-oats combination, seeding should be done in March, with fertilizer drilled separately. Harvest when small peas form, when oats head out. Be sure to use preservatives," he told.

"It takes high quality hay to make high quality silage," Mr. Smith added.

Corn May Be Added

Corn may be added to serve as both a preservative and to increase palatability — crushed or ground. Preservatives must be mixed thoroughly — and it would be advantageous to mix them at the field chopper as the ground material goes into the blower.

Crops destined for silage need moisture, and those over mature are of little value. Grass is best when just heading. Alfalfa serves best just before it shoots a head, or in 10 to 20 per cent blossom. Clover in one-third blossom is also good, and alsike in full bloom may be used.

By cutting at this period, it is possible to save more of the feed nutrients than in any other form of feed harvest.

"Put good stuff in your trench silo. Cut grass at the proper state of maturity, when it's green and juicy. Use preservatives," Mr. Smith admonished.

Seal Top Carefully

Pack silage well, the group was told, especially along the sides, which are more vulnerable to seepage. The top must be carefully covered, and the best seal is tarpaper and dirt or sawdust. Three inches of ground limestone may be spread evenly on top, and after a rain or two will form a weather-proof crust.

Feeding is ordinarily from the front end of the silo, using a tractor scoop or loader.

Mr. Smith advises against self-feeding dairy stock. For beef cattle and dry cows, yes, but hand feeding is recommended in the case of dairy stock. Mr. Walker showed a scale model of an ideal trench silo, as well as models of feeding gates, both movable wooden gate type, and gate suspended from chains on a bar crossing the top of the trench silo

Summing up the advantages of a trench silo, Mr. Smith told, "You can get the most feed value by making grains into silage. You use all feed nutrients. You cut the need for hay — but some dry material, 5 to 10 pounds daily, is still needed"

Around 40 attended the Bareville meeting too.

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For the Farm Wife and Family

This week's winner of a year's free subcription to Lancaster Farming is one from Stevens, RD 1. She is Mrs Jonas Martin, who offers a recipe "your readers may like:

PEANUT DROP COOKIES

Two cups sifted (all purpose) flour
Two teaspoons baking powder
One-half teaspoon salt
Three-fourths cup butter
One cup sugar
Two eggs, well beaten
One-half cup milk
Two cups nuts

Mix and drop by teaspoons on baking sheet. Bake in moderate oven of 375 degrees about 10 minutes.

We have an item from Dennis F. Abe, assistant county agent of Chester County, which will be of interest to all housewives. Here it is:

Cut Flowers Last Longer With Care

Cut flowers, a radiant luxury, live on "borrowed time," but their fleeting beauty can be prolonged with care, explains Mr. Abe.

Certain methods of cutting, preparing, and caring for the flowers after they have been cut are the secret to added enjoyment from these treasures.

Characteristics of different kinds of flowers vary, and some last longer than others Chrysanthemums, asters, and orchids will, with care, keep fresh for several weeks after being cut, while daylilies last only a few hours, and morning-glories but a few minutes

Buy only fresh flowers, Mr. Abe advises Pink or red roses with a bluish cast, "sleepy" carnations, droopy orchids, and spiky flowers with withered lower florets already are "old" and will not last much longer.

Orchids and Heather Fresh 2 to 3 Weeks

Flowers are an investment So for most satisfaction, buy with a particular need or arrangement, and select from available kinds those flowers which last longer. Orchids, if not in corsages, and heather, stay fresh two to three weeks; roses and carnations, five days or longer, and iris, daffodils, and tulips, two to five days.

Soon after cutting, plunge flowers in deep containers of cool water, put them in a cool, dark place out of drafts, and let them stand for four hours before arranging them into bouquets for the living room.

Keep water off flower petals of orchids and sweet peas, but sprinkle gardenias and camellias, or let them float in water.

Flowers with woody stems last longer if their stems are split and crushed or bruised two to four inches from the cut ends. Those with milky sap do better if a half-inch or so of the cut end is placed in boiling water one to three minutes before plunging into cool water.

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I enjoy your paper and am sending $1.00 for a year's subscription, we hear from Mrs. H. J. Kreider of R2 Ephrata She encloses a recipe for

WALNUT CUSTARDS

One cup sugar
One cup molasses
Two eggs
Two tablespoons flour
One cup ground walnuts
Three-fourths cup warm water

Mix water with molasses;

Mix all ingredients together, place in two unbaked pie shells. Bake.

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Have been reading your paper and like it very much, a North State Street reader in Ephrata writes "Thought you would like to try my recipe for

COLD PACKED SLICED TOMATOES FOR WINTER

Scald large, firm, ripe tomatoes with boiling water Remove skins, slice and pack in wide-mouthed jars. Add one teaspoon salt Close jars, not too tight. Put in cold water bath and cook only till tomatoes start rising to top of the jars, about ten minutes Remove from water and seal tight.

This is a good dish in winter time. They keep in nice slices

HOUSEHOLD HINT

We received one of your sample copies, Mrs. C Irwin Weaver of R1 Denver, writes, and we enjoy it very much — in particular the Women's page, all those recipes and Household Hints. Here is one of mine: When baking cupcakes or muffins, take your ice cream dipper to fill your cupcake and muffin tins. The job is much more quickly done.

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"While my husband was reading the Feb. 3 copy of Lancaster Farming, he stopped to remark, 'I like this little paper.' I replied, 'So do I, especially the recipes, and when I told him the price is $1 00 for a year as a charter subscriber, we decided to have it too, although we get two other papers Enclosed is a check."

That's the letter from Mrs. Warren Seibel, R1 Ephrata, who adds, "The young man on the front page was a friend who lives a few miles from our place."

Mrs Seibel encloses a recipe for "doughnuts we like."

FARMERS DOUGHNUTS

Mix one cup of hot, mashed potatoes
One fourth cup butter or margarine
Beat three eggs, stir into potato mixture
Sift five cups flour with
Two tablespoons baking powder
One teaspoon salt

You may also include

One-half teaspoon nutmeg
One-half teaspoon cinnamon

Add, alternately, with

One cup sweet milk
One-half teaspoon vanilla

Mix until smooth, chill two hours or longer. Roll three-eighths of an inch thick and cut.

Fry in deep fat, 375 degrees, turning once. Coat with sugar while still warm.

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When serving salad be sure to use the dressing that goes with the salad. It is well to make a quantity of these dressings, keeping them in tightly closed jars in the refrigerator ready for immediate use.

FRUIT FRENCH DRESSING

One-third cup sugar
One teaspoon salt
One teaspoon paprika
One-fourth cup orange juice
Two and one-half tablespoons lemon juice
One tablespoon vinegar
One teaspoon grated onion
One cup salad oil

Combine ingredients in a jar. Cover and shake thoroughly Serve with fruit salad.

ITALIAN DRESSING

One and one-third cups salad oil
One-half cup vinegar
One and one-half teaspoons salt
One teaspoon sugar
One-half teaspoon dry mustard
Four cloves garlic halved

Combine all ingredients in a jar. Cover and shake thoroughly. Let stand 24 hours before using Shake well at serving time.

PINEAPPLE SALAD DRESSING

One-third cup sugar
Four teaspoons cornstarch
One-fourth teaspoon salt
Juice of one lemon
Juice of one orange
One cup pineapple syrup
Two eggs slightly beaten
Two 3-oz. packages cream cheese

Mix dry ingredients; add fruit juices and syrup. Mix well. Cook in double boiler 20 minutes, stirring constantly Slowly stir into eggs. Cook five minutes, stirring constantly. Cool. Soften cream cheese and beat into cooked mixture. Chill.

SOUR CREAM DRESSING

One and one-half cups sour cream
Two tablespoons lemon juice
Two tablespoons grated onion
One tablespoon grated horseradish
One-half teaspoon salt
One-half tablespoon sugar
One-eighth teaspoon red pepper

Mix ingredients and serve very cold.

PEANUT BUTTER DRESSING

Four tablespoons evaporated milk
Four tablespoons lemon juice
Four tablespoons peanut butter
Salt to taste

Blend ingredients and chill.

FRENCH DRESSING

One cup salad or olive oil
One-half cup vinegar
One and one-half teaspoons salt
One-half teaspoon freshly ground pepper

Combine all ingredients in a bottle with a cover. Mix well. Chill, when ready to serve, shake hard to blend.

CELERY SEED DRESSING

One-third cup sugar
One teaspoon salt
One teaspoon dry mustard
One teaspoon grated onion
One-fourth cup vinegar
One cup salad oil
One teaspoon celery seeds

Mix dry ingredients, add onion and vinegar. Add oil, 1 tablespoon at a time, beating constantly with rotary or electric beater. Add celery seeds

VINAIGRETTE DRESSING

One cup French dressing
Two tablespoons minced green onions
Two tablespoons minced capers
Two tablespoons minced ripe or green olives

Mix all ingredients well. A finely chopped egg may be added if desired.

AVOCADO DRESSING

One large ripe avocado sieved
Three tablespoons lemon juice
One-half cup light cream
Three-fourths teaspoon salt
One teaspoon prepared mustard
One-half teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
One-fourth cup blue cheese

Add lemon juice to sieved avocado. Stir in remaining ingredients Blend well. Chill. Serve on shredded cabbage, lettuce wedges or sliced tomatoes.

SPECIAL DRESSING

One cup mayonnaise
Grated onion
Onion juice
Two tablespoons caviar

Into mayonnaise add grated onion to taste, a little onion juice, and the caviar. Serve on hearts of lettuce with diced tomato and slices of hard boiled egg.

TOMATO FRENCH DRESSING

One can condensed tomato soup
One cup vinegar
One tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
One clove garlic minced
One cup salad oil
One small onion minced
One teaspoon paprika
One tablespoon sugar
One teaspoon salt
One teaspoon dry mustard

Combine ingredients in a bottle. Cover and shake well. Chill.

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Evergreens Require Attention in Winter

The critical period for evergreens is during the winter season. Care given these plants during the late fall and early winter helps determine whether or not they will survive.

Evergreens with a dusty brown color during the late winter and early spring are those that have been neglected during the late fall and winter. Evergreens planted during the fall need sufficient water at ten-day to two week intervals up until the first heavy frost. This is particularly

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TO A FRIEND

(Grantland Rice)

Others have given you gifts worth the keeping,
All that I have is a song;
All that I have from the sowing and reaping,
Just a thin melody, lilting and leaping,
Blown from the dust where the twilight comes creeping
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urgent since evergreens are subject to drying out by hard wintry winds during the winter months.

For the first few years after planting put at least four inches of a good mulch, such as well-rooted hardwood sawdust, oak leaves, or peat moss, around the base of the plants. Do not allow mulch to come into direct contact with the crown of any plant.

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If evergreens were planted last fall, remove the mulch in early spring to let the sun warm the soil. Later part of the mulch may be replaced. Do not cultivate around the base of evergreens that are over three feet tall because the root systems of these evergreens are very close to the surface.

All broad-leaved evergreens, such as mountain laurel, rhododendron, and andromeda, must have protection against the full rays of the wintry sun and winds. Evergreen boughs, cornstalks, a burlap shield, or lath screening may be used for protection.

What's In Fashion Now?

Massive is the key word for fine jewelry coming up soon. Dimensions in jewelry will echo the prevailing trend in women's clothes. To underscore the slim but softer sheath silhouettes women will probably want to wear an eyecatching piece of jewelry

The straight, highwaisted line is new. New draping interest will be found at the top of dresses either in sleeves, sleeve mountings and bustline, and neckline. One outstanding French designer, has put much emphasis on the Carace, the short top that is cut off at the waist and is sleeveless.

Many new spring coats will be split up the back or sides to the shoulderblades or just below the arm opening. In expensive fabrics and lush furs the coats that resemble long-scarves with sleeves don't look as if they could warm up anybody, least of all the person inside them.

Another new favorite with the women who must have the latest is the "slip of a dress," that is willowy, bias cut, and sleeveless and worn with the baby jacket You need an almost perfect figure to look nice in this number

A new silhouette which eases up the stark look of the slim dress is the winged dress with movement built in, in semi-attached panels and deep inverted pleats set at the sides under the armholes.

Short-sleeved and sleeveless wool coats with dresses to match are fashionable. Those are going over well just now in south Florida. Other sections will be seeing quite a lot of them for late spring and early summer.

Detergent Fruit Aids Toothbrush

Dentists tell us that it is not enough to make the children brush their teeth. We must include in their diet, and ours too, some detergent food at the end of each meal. The best detergent food seems to be citrus fruit and raw vegetables.

There is evidence that detergent fruits are more effective mouth cleansers than toothbrushes. Chewing apples can eliminate 97.7 per cent of mouth bacteria, while sliced orange and paraffin tied for second with 95 per cent ratings. Three minutes of tooth brushing, plus a mouth rinsing, was a poor seventh.

Studies have shown that citrus fruit juices are more effective than any dentifrices in keeping the mouth bacteria count low.

The relation for sugars to tooth decay is well established. Sweets, such as candy and cake, tend to stick to the teeth, especially eaten between meals when there are not other foods to help brush off the adhering particles.

Each time you eat a sweet, your teeth suffer an attack of acids. To halt decay, cut out the sweets This is not easy to do with young ones but, if you will include plenty of natural sweets, such as oranges, apples and bananas, the children will not crave a candy bar or chewing gum.

Don't start your baby eating candy until he discovers it for himself. Accustom your children to ending every meal with a detergent fruit.

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APPLES IN CRANBERRY JUICE

Sugar
Cranberry juice
Tart apples
Vegetable coloring

Boil 1 cup each sugar and cranberry juice for 3 minutes. Peel apples and cut them into balls with vegetable cutter. Drop a few balls at a time into the boiling syrup When tender remove them, drained Do not overcook the apples. For a deeper red color add a few drops of red vegetable coloring to syrup. Serve with meat.

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GERMAN APPLE PANCAKES

One cup flour
One-half teaspoon salt
Two teaspoons sugar
One and one-half cups milk
Four eggs
Three large tart apples, peeled, cored and cut into fine strips
One-half cup lemon juice
Cinnamon sugar

Sift flour, then add salt, and sugar. Sift together. Add the milk to make a smooth paste. Add eggs one at a time, beating after each addition. Marinate apple strips in the lemon juice Fold apple strips into batter Cook in a buttered frying pan by dropping 2 tablespoons batter into pan and cook over low heat until brown, about 5 minutes on each side. Sprinkle with cinnamon sugar and serve hot.

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That's it for now — keep those letters rolling in, your favorite recipes, household hints, or any other items and next week

We'll see you again.

The 100-yard dash has now been run in 9.5 seconds. In your lifetime the nine-second mark will probably be reached. A few years ago people said the ten-second mark would never be reached. Progress cannot be limited.

Religion and Agriculture Meet

In Lancaster County, the rural pastor holds a very important position in linking the church and farm. At the recent Father-Son Banquet sponsored by Mt. Hope Methodist Church, down in the Southern End, these three were outstanding on the guest list. At the left is Ernest R. Pyle, farmer near Union Presbyterian Church, father of seven sons and one daughter; in the center, the Rev. Delmar Probst, pastor of Mt. Hope, and on the right, the Rev. Rufus P. Bucher, well known pastor of the Mechanics Grove Church of the Brethren, father of five sons and a farmer in his own right. (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

Farm Women 15 Meet March 21, Middle Octorara

Farm Womens Society No. 15 met at the home of Mrs. Grable Herr, Quarryville R D., at 1:30 p. m. Thursday, Feb 16. Mrs. Robert Weicksel, president, conducted the meeting, which was attended by 35 members.

Reports of all the committees were given, with the Ways and Means committee reporting that a luncheon will be held March 21 at Middle Octorara Presbyterian Church, the program to be announced Mrs George Reinhart is chairman.

Mrs Reinhart gave each member a miniature apron with a pocket containing the suggestion that it to be filled with pennies "to match one's girth. If that would be too revealing, a dollar bill would solve all problems." The money will be used for the welfare work the society does each year.

The treasurer reported that $7 was sent to the March of Dimes Society. All arrangements have been made for a visit to the Philadelphia Flower Show on March 14, the committee announced The trip will be made by bus.

The possibility of seeing "Plain and Fancy" the evening of the same day was discussed, as was a trip to Williamsburg in May

Mrs. Leigh Walton read an original poem, portraying the reflections of a girl on a farm who longs for Spring. It was most entertaining. Mrs. Martin Greenleaf and Mrs. Edwin Witmer gave demonstrations of invisible mending on woolen materials, and the proper method of applying patches on everyday clothing, done on a sewing machine.

Devotions were given by Mrs. Herr and co-hostess, Mrs. Carl Johnson. Mrs. Cyrus Graeff and Mrs. Henry Wenger served refreshments in the theme of Valentine's Day and Washington's Birthday. They consisted of cherry tarts, heart-shaped mints, al inscriptions, and mint cups and napkins with heart decorations.

The roll call was answered by giving one's place of birth. The women were interested to learn that one of the members, Mrs. Carl Johnson, was a relative of Abraham Lincoln. Her grandmother was a cousin of Nancy Hanks. Mrs. Johnson is a native of North Carolina.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Warren Smith, Oxford R. D.

Farm Calendar

(If you wish your Coming Events listed in these columns, write a card or letter to LANCASTER FARMING, Quarryville, Pa. Be sure to include name of sender.—Editor).

Feb. 29 — Lancaster County Dairy Day, Guernsey Sales Pavilion, east of Lancaster, 9 a m. to 4 p. m.

Feb. 29—Farm Women 9, sewing cancer dressings, home of Mrs Esther Huber, Martieville

Feb. 29—Farm Women 12, sewing cancer dressings, home of Mrs. Roy Eshleman.

MARCH

March 5-9 Feed Dealers and Millers' Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 13—Farm Women 22, auction of homemade materials, home of Mrs. Eugene Bare, R1 Bird-in-Hand.

March 14—Farm Women 9, to Philadelphia Flower Show.

March 14—Farm Women 22, visit Lancaster County Home.

March 17—Farm Women 18 entertain Farm Women 16, 1 00 p m. luncheon meeting, Farm Bureau Building, Lancaster

March 17—Farm Women 9, food sale, Mrs Jeanne Breneman, R1 Conestoga, hostess.

March 17—Farm Women 3, Brickerville Fire Hall, Mrs. Charles Weachter, Hopeland, hostess.

March 21— Farm Women 15, luncheon, Middle Octorara Presbyterian Church, Mrs. George Reinhart, chairman.

March 24—Farm Women 12, Mrs. Estella Mower, hostess, Highville.

March 27—Farm Women 12, Cinerama Holiday, Philadelphia, Mrs. Roy Eshelman, chairman

April 3—County Farm Womens' Society Executive Board, 2 p. m, home of Mrs. Henry Reist, R1 Mount Joy.

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Lancaster County Farm Women's Societies Begin Busy Schedules

Executive Board Of County Farm Women Convenes

Farm Women's Societies 19 and 20 will visit the Lancaster County Home this month and with Societies 21 and 22 in March, it was announced last week at a meeting of the County executive board at the North Queen Street Branch of the Lancatser County national Bank.

Mrs. E. Robert Nolt presided, and devotions were led by Mrs. Elam Buckwalter. Plans were discussed for the County Convention to be held next November, with Mrs. Neil Clark and Mrs. Clyde Hottenstine named to serve on the place committee.

Hostesses were County officers.

The next meeting, Mrs. Elam (Iva) Buckwalter, vice president, reports, will be at 2 p m. April 3 in the home of Mrs. Henry Reist, R1 Mount Joy.

Farm Society 12 Aids Heart Haven, Bible Society

Mrs. Roy Eshleman has been appointed to make arrangements for the Society of Farm Women 12 to attend Cinerama Holiday in Philadelphia, March 27. At a recent meeting, the Society voted a $10 contributron to Heart Haven and $5 to the American Bible Society. Mrs. Edward Brenner, Highville, was hostess. Mrs. James Brenner was co-hostess.

Twenty-five members and seven visitors were present. Cancer dressings will be made Feb 29 at the home of Mrs. Eshleman. During January the Society prepared 494 similar dressings.

Mrs. Sara Husson and Mrs. Bertha were assigned to take care of Needlework Guild One new member, Mrs. William Shenk, was received into the Society.

The next meeting will be March 24, one week later than usual, at the home of Mrs Estella Mower, hostess, and Mrs. Frances Elsen, co-hostess, Highville, according to Mrs. Bertha K. Aston, corresponding secretary of Millersville.

Saturday Mrs. Lester Sigman, president, was in charge of the meeting. Roll call was answered by an old-fashioned remedy.

SOCIETY 15 AIDS BAND

A box social in April will help the Society of Farm Women 15 provide funds to augment purchases of uniforms planned for the Junior band of Solanco area schools. Mrs. Grable Herr, R1 Quarryville, was hostess at the recent meeting, assisted by Mrs. Henry Wenger, Mrs. Cyrus Graeff and Mrs. Clark Johnson. The next meeting will be 1:30 Thursday, March 15 at the home of Mrs. Warren Smith, R1 Oxford.

Society 3 Votes Contributions To Two Groups

Mrs. Charles Weachter of Hopeland will be hostess at the March 17 meeting of the Farm Women's Society 3 in the Brickerville Fire Hall.

Meeting Saturday in the home of Mrs. Harold Stuber, Society 3 president, at Lincoln, the group voted to donate $15 to Lancaster's Heart Haven and $15 to the March of Dimes. Mrs. Robert Hackman and Mrs. Stuber were co-hostesses.

Elmer Rock of Clay showed a color film taken on a hunting trip in British Columbia.

A bridal shower was given for Mrs. Hackman, who was recently married.

Farm Society 22 Schedules Busy In Coming Month

Two major projects have been listed during March by Farm Women's Society 22, according to Mrs. Kenneth Aston, Willow Street, with a visit to the Lancaster County Home March 14, and an auction of homemade articles March 13.

The Society met Valentine's Day at the home of Mrs. Paul Miller, R7 Lancaster, and outlined plans for these two events and a covered dish social for husbands last Friday. The social was at the Farm Bureau on Dillerville Road, Lancaster.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs Eugene Bare, R1 Bird-in-Hand, March 13, at 1 30 p. m., with an auction of homemade articles from each member of the Society.

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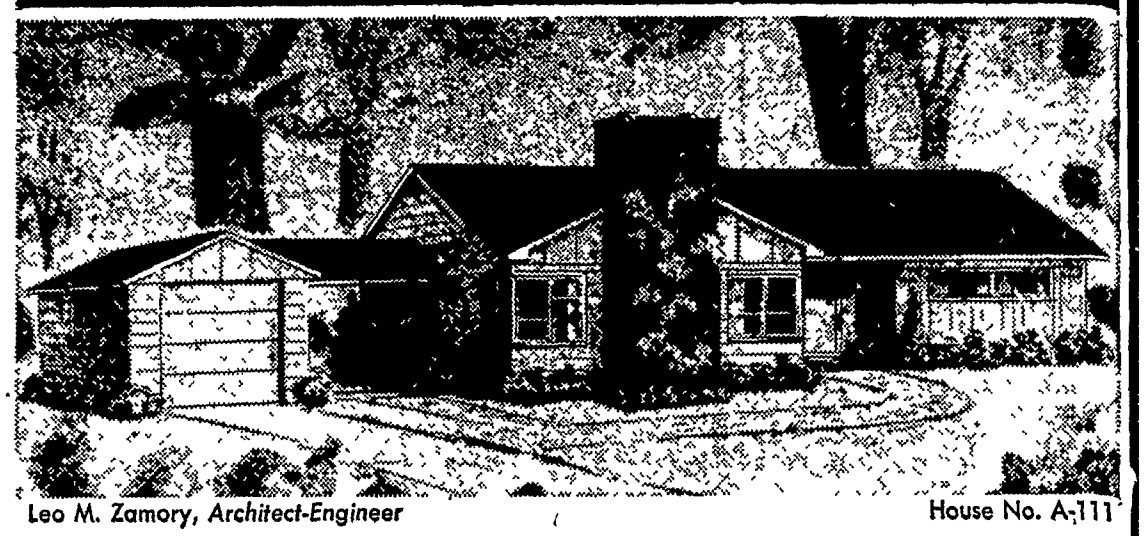

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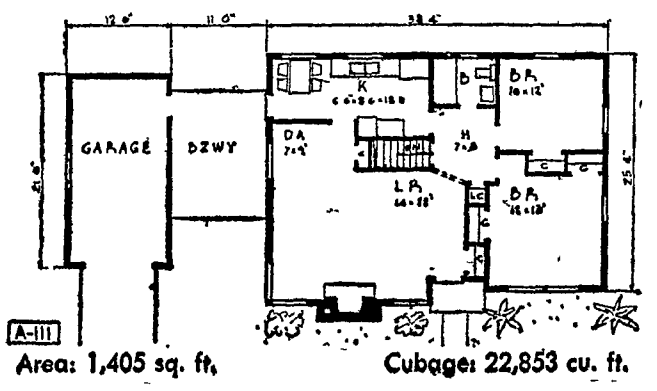

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Farm Society 9 Plans Food Sale On March 17th

Meeting Saturday, March 17, the Society of Farm Women 9 will feature a food sale. Members are asked to bring fruit juices to be used at Heart Haven. Mrs. Jeanne Breneman, R1 Conestoga, will be hostess, Mrs. Winnie Warfel, co-hostess.

Other events on the Society 9 calendar include a day sewing cancer pads on Wednesday, Feb. 29 at the home of Mrs. Esther Huber, Marticville. On March 14 members will go to Philadelphia to attend the flower show, Mrs. Florence Morrison of Martic Forge reports.

These plans, and others, were discussed at a Saturday meeting in the home of Mrs. Helen Zercher, Marticville, where a flower sale was featured. Cohostesses were Mrs. Pearl Kleinhans, Marticville, and Mrs. Morrison A donation was voted to Heart Haven. Twenty members were present.

David (Stony) Eshbach, Jr, will drive the bus to the Flower Show, with tentative pick-up stops as follows on March 14: at 8 15, a. m., Millersville, Sam Herr Store; then to the home of Mrs Paul Stehman, near Slackwater and Long Lane; between 8 15 and 8 30 to Long Lane-New Danville Road, home of Mrs. Lester Sigman, 8 30 Conestoga, home of Mrs. Minnie Warfels, and Gardner Store, Martic Forge

Farm Women 8 Hear Reports On Paratyphoid

The Society of Farm Women 8 met at the home of Mrs R. W Schlosser, Elizabethtown, Saturday, Feb, 18. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. John Groff, who used Scriptures and Prayers from the World Day of Prayer Service booklet.

A report of the County Board meeting was given by the president, Mrs. Charles Felty. A report on the Paratyphoid Panel, held in Lancaster recently, was given by Mrs. Ruth Eby L. Mae Brisner offered a reading. Dr. R. W. Schlosser, professor at Elizabethtown College, gave a talk on "Education in Our Schools."

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. R. W Schlosser, Mrs. Robert Forney, Mrs. John Groff, and Mrs. Martin Lehman.

National Wildlife Week Set March 18-24

The 1956 National Wildlife Week will be observed March 18-24. It is sponsored annually by the National Wildlife Federation. This year's theme, "Save Endangered Wildlife", points up the plight of animals and birds facing possible extinction in the United States.

Walt Disney, famed animal cartoonist, was named honorary chairman of this year's nationwide campaign. Seth L. Myers, Sharon, representing the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, will again devise a successful program in this State. County chairmen appointed by him will coordinate the observance at local levels.

During Wildlife Week, programs in schools and over the air, articles in newspapers, window displays and other means will be employed to give the public a better understanding of wildlife's needs.

Colorful stamps, the sale of which supports the non-profit National Wildlife Federation and its wildlife conservation projects may be ordered, for $1.00, from the Federation Headquarters Washington, D. C.

Farm Women 18 To Entertain 16 on March 17

Society 16 will be entertained by Farm Womens Society 18 March 17 in a luncheon meeting at 1 p. m in the Farm Bureau Building, Lancaster.

At the most recent meeting of the group, Saturday, Miss Irene E. Lupold, former Congressional secretary, spole to Society 18 at the home of Mrs. H. Raymond Stoner, 1051 Eden Road, Lancaster. Miss Lupold was formerly secretary to Rep. Paul B. Dague of Pennsylvania. She described her life and work in Washington.

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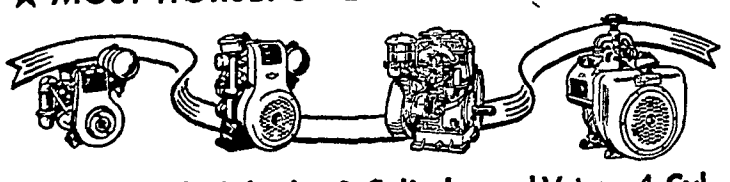

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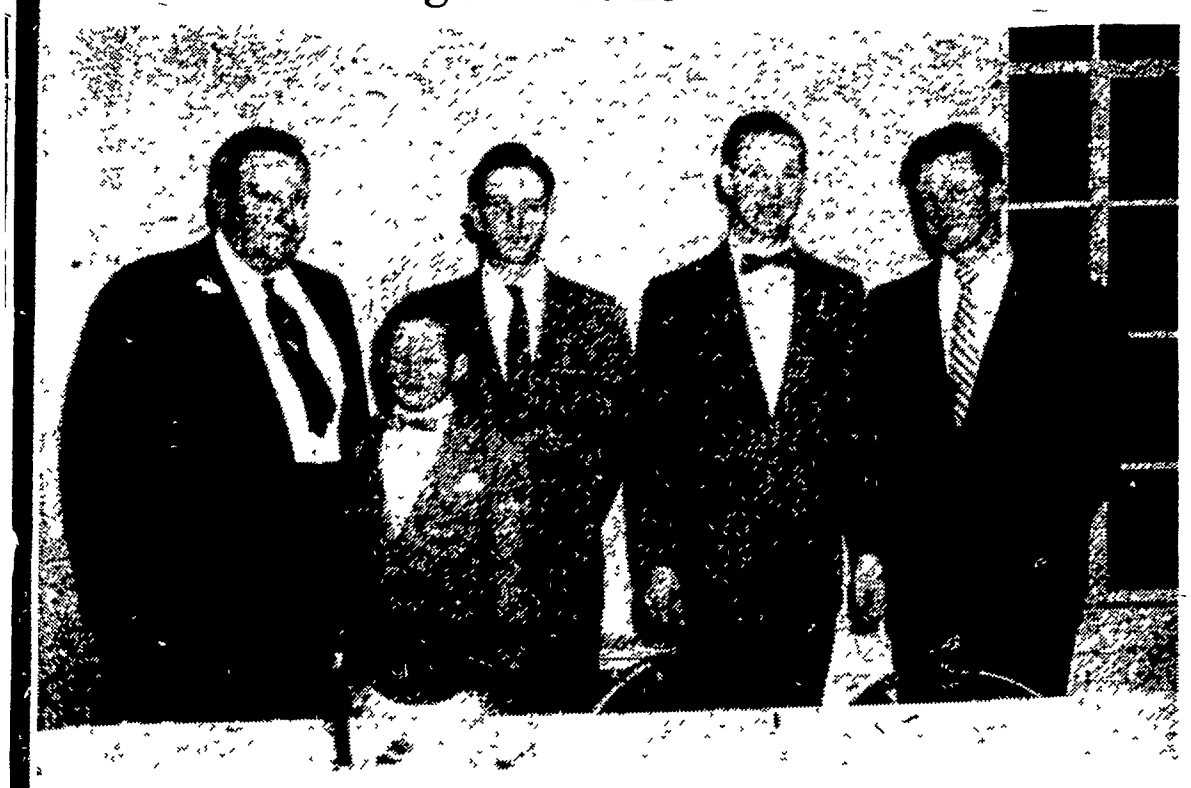

Mention the name Ernie Pyle, and you immediately follow through with the query to associate the famed war-time correspondent. But here is Ernest R Pyle, R1 Oxford, with four of his seven sons, photographed by Lancaster Farming at the recent Father-Son Banquet at Mt. Hope Methodist Church.

"Yes, I'm a distant cousin to Ernie Pyle," the southeastern Lancaster Countian replied.

Left to right: Mr. Pyle, Robert Stevens, 11, pride and joy of this farm family; Horace Walter Pyle, Jerry Minshall Pyle, and Theodore Bond Pyle. Needless to say, even with three sons missing, the Pyles took top honors for family attendance at the banquet.

The Pyles — in addition to the seven sons there is a daughter, Doris Virginia — farm 180 acres near Union Presbyterian Church.

His ancestry traces back to some of the original Pennsylvania Quaker families, and is directly associated with the branch that moved to Arizona, from whence the famed, well-loved wartime correspondent came. Mr. Pyle represented the Rev Glenn Knecht at the banquet. Host pastor at the banquet, attended by 110, was the Rev. Delmar Probst.

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Hydroponics On Market; Tomato Flavor Debated Pro and Con Here

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duce little. Hydroponics came into being. Chemicals were added to the water as needed; should a plant show a deficiency of one, the flow of that chemical would be increased.

Growing Seasons Cut

Growing periods were drastically reduced by hydroponics. Ninety-day wonders became old-age members of the hydroponics set. Thirty-day crops were not unusual, some in less time.

According to Paul Scheid, who operates one of the vegetable stands in Lancaster Cenrtal Market, the bulk of the hydroponic tomatoes reaching Lancaster come from Cowan Hydroponic Farms. Inc. at Kendall, Fla., Dade County — the same county as Miami. Prices at wholesale are quite close between the hydroponic-grown and the reuglar garden grown varieties. Cubans may sell for $3.25 a box, hydroponic, or hydro-organic grown, tomatoes may bring $3 75. Common grades, of course, run much lower. On the other hand, the hydroponic-grown tomatoes run much larger than vine-grown. Hydroponics ship better, and arrive in a much better condition; the skin, in Mr. Scheid's words, is oily, smooth — alive, in contrast to the vine-growns that arrive somewhat soft, somewhat lifeless, skins dry.

As a rule, hydroponic grown tomatoes are supported by trellises, several feet high. Larger vines result, and a larger fruit also. The bulk of those received in Lancaster are of the three-inch variety, some larger.

Mineral enriched, nutrition fed — leads us all back to the plight of one western farmer, who in paying his annual fertilizer bill began to wonder if he too were not growing a couple hundred acres of corn hydroponically, feeding necessary chemicals to growing grains in a worn-out, semi-sterile soil.

For flavor, we'll still take the Lancaster County variety, warmed by a summer sun, or chilled, but advocates assert in hydroponic-grown tomatoes there is less acid, a better flavor.

Hydroponics, tank farming, water gardening, whatever you may call it, has spread far from the islands of the South Pacific. It's invading the South wholesale, where tillable land may be at a premium. It turns a city lot into a 40-acre field production-wise But most of all, today it is helping supply foodstuffs on islands in the Bahama chain, the Greater and Lesser Antilles, where prior to this time imports of almost 100 per cent of the foodstuffs was necessary In this airborne age, even meats are being flown in with fresh vegetables to Nassau and other cities on sandy islands that can't grow a field crop, but may produce a "tank crop."

Some day the Lancaster County vegetable grower may control his growing and marketing more closely through a modified type of hydroponics, overcoming drought and heat like that which put a deep dent in last summer's crop.

New York January Milk Price $4.07

A uniform price of $4.07 cwt for January milk deliveries to the New York metropolitan area was announced this week. The January producer butterfat differential was set at 5.4 for each tenth of a pound of fat above or below the standard 3.5 per cent.

January records in production were set, and only four times previous in any month has consumption of fluid milk been exceeded.

The total of 645,858,741 lbs of milk was 7.5 per cent higher than the previous January. Fluid milk consumption was up 1.6 per cent to 275,355,267 lbs.

Eastern States Exchange Meet On March 2, 3

Many farmers from this area will leave Thursday, March 1, to attend the 38th annual meeting of their cooperative, the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange at West Springfield, Mass, March 2-3.

Local persons attending are: Paul L. Howard, mgr. of Quarryville whse. and Claude I. Herr, prominent poultryman of Quarryville, RFD 1, Pa.

J. Kenneth Stern, president of the American Institute of Cooperation, wil be the principal evening speaker. He is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University and was employed for 12 years by Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, nine years as a fieldman and three as director of public relations. He became president of the American Institute of Cooperation in 1950.

Julian B. Thayer, prominent dairyman and poultryman of Rockfall, Connecticut, will preside at the annual meeting. Members attending will hear reports on the 1955 operations and will elect officers and directors for the coming year. Advance registrations indicate an attendance of more than 1000 farmers from nine northeastern states.

Eastern States Farmers' Exchange is one of the largest processors and distributors of such farm supplies as feeds, fertilizers and seeds in the Northeast. It is a non-profit cooperative, owned and controlled by the farmers it serves.

Gerald Rohrer Tops Countywide Tomato Contest

Producing 5.8 tons of tomatoes per acre that graded 68 per cent No 1, Gerald C. Rohrer of the Manor Chapter of the Future Farmers of America, placed first in Lancaster Countywide competition sponsored by the Campbell Soup Co.

A resident of Smoketown, he received a 21-jewel watch. This is the fourth time in ten years the Manor Chapter has placed first. Howard P. Siglin is chapter advisor.

On the banquet program at the Landisville Fire Hall, were Associate County Agent Harry S. Sloat, speaking on "Better Production of Tomatoes;" H. R Collard, who heads the Campbell Soup Co. agricultural department; James Woodford, youth representative; Wayne Randwerk, assistant division manager; and Dr. Donald Bradley of the agricultural department.

The Manor Chapter received a trophy for completing four years of entry and three youths received cups for four years of competition, three for three years of competition.

Greiders Score Lead Over All In State Eggs

Greider Leghorn Farm, Mount Joy, is leading all competition in the 25th Pennsylvania Egg Test, according to the State Department of Agriculture, with a White Leghorn hen

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FEBRUARY

February 23—Clyde E Keener, 1¼ miles north of Lancaster at the intersection of Manheim and Harrisburg Pikes, routes 72 and 230. Farm machinery and 50 tractors. 11:00 a. m.

February 24—Percy Fisher, 1 mile west of Nine Points, 30 head cows, farming implements, household goods, 11 a. m.

February 24—Mrs. Mae Koser, Rt. 241, road Bainbridge to Maytown, at Stackstown, household goods, 6:30 p. m.

Feb. 24 — Edward S. Good, midway between Ephrata and Lititz, road leading from Millway to Middle Creek Church, livestock, farm equipment, some household goods, 12 o'clock.

25—Paul B. Clay, Mt. Airy, Md., farm machinery, lot of tractors, 10 a. m.

25—Leroy Glick, 1½ miles north of Cains (Salisbury twp.), livestock, farming implements, 12 noon.

25—C. B. Hoober, Intercourse, new and used farm implements, hardware, 12 noon.

25—John H. Zimmerman, 3½ miles south of Elizabethtown, near Bosslers Church, livestock, farm equipment.

Feb. 25 — Along Falmouth Pike, one-half mile west of Newville, household furniture, some antiques, by Urban Sweigart.

February 25—Fred Rial & Son, off Addison-Campbell Rd, 51 top Holsteins, new equipment, small tools, dairy equipment, produce, 10:30 a. m.

February 25—Estate of John C. Leininger, 44 W. Lincoln Ave., Lititz, Jeweler's and Clockmaker's Tools, Stock, household goods, 12:30 p. m.

February 25 — Mennonite Church of Rohrerstown, at church premises, used lumber, 1 p. m.

February 25—Sue L. Bowman, Hessdale, Strasburg twp., Rt 222, real estate, personal property, antiques, carpenter tools, 10:30 a. m.

February 25—Estate of Howard J. Neff, road from Quarryville Cemetery to Cochran's Corner, ½ mile west 2½ story frame dwelling, household goods, 12:30 p. m.

February 25—Grant Kohr, 1 mile north of Old Rt. 22, between Shellville and Manada Hill, stock, implements.

Feb 25—Joseph Miller, Strasburg twp., on Musser Herr farm, just south of Strasburg, household goods.

February 25—Keystone Holstein Sales, Inc., at Sales Barn east of Mt. Joy (on Rt. 230), Holsteins.

February 25—Midway Church of the Brethren, on Herman Reist farm, S. Lebanon twp., 1 mile southeast of Lebanon; (consignment of Men's Work).

February 25—J. LeRoy Smith, Rt. 501, 1 mile north of Neffsville, just west of Lancaster Mun. Airport, farming equipment, 12:30 p. m.

February 25—Paul Z. Martin, Blue Ball, new and used household goods.

February 25—Harry J. Graybill, Main & New St., E. Petersburg, personal property, household goods, 1 p. m.

February 25—Jacob S. Snyder, ¼ mile east of Sunnyside School (off Mt. Joy-Mastersonville R1.), household goods, poultry equipment.

Feb. 27 — Along road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge at the village of Chickentown, Stock and Implements, by Curtis W. May.

Feb. 28 — At Campbelltown, 60 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Canadian Holsteins, by Ed O'Neal.

28—Edna Sweigart, 4 miles east of Intercourse (¼ mile south of Rt. 340, at Spring Garden, Salisbury twp.), real estate, livestock, farm machinery, 12 noon.

28—Joseph Hurst, ½ mile east of Union Grove (Caernarvon twp.), livestock, farm equipment, household goods, 12:30 p m.

28—D. W. Martin & Son, 1 mile north of Bareville, road from 5 Points to Cooper's Blacksmith Shop (near Groffdale Church), livestock, farm machinery, 12:30 p. m.

February 28—Edna Sweigart, executrix, Spring Garden, Salisbury twp, 4 miles east of Intercourse, ¼ mile south of Rt. 340, real estate, livestock, farm machinery, 12 o'clock.

February 28 — Myerstown Church of the Brethren, 2 miles south of Myerstown, Jackson twp. (Consignment of Men's Work).

February 28—Charles K. Hostetter, S. Annville twp., Lebanon twp.

29—David B. King, ½ mile east of Nickel Mines Store, livestock, farm equipment, 12:30 p. m.

29—Ira A. Kurtz, ½ mile north of Morgantown (Berks Co), farm machinery, 12 o'clock.

Feb. 29 — Along the road leading from Mount Joy to Mastersonville, 4 miles north of Mount Joy, Stock and Implements by Elam S. Geib.

MARCH

March 1 — Along the road leading from Manheim to Old Line Store, 3 miles west of Manheim, Stock and Implements by William B. Saylor.

March 2 — Along the Jednota Road, leading from Highspire to Middletown, one-half mile North of Highspire, Stock and Implements by Edward H. Nissley.

March 3 — Along the road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, at the village of Stackstown, Stock and Implements by Henry Berg.

March 3 — Annie Metzler, 117 N. Charloette St, Manheim, real estate and personal property, 1 p. m.

March 3 — Livestock, implements, near East Fairview Church Jacob Lehman.

March 5 — West of Rheems, close to Donegal Springs, on Cameron Farm, joining Landis Stone Meal Co, Stock and Implements by Morris G. Spickler.

March 6 — Along the road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, at the village of Chickentown, stock, implements and household furniture by Chester Ney.

March 6—Ralph W. Horst, 6 miles south of Chambersburg, Pa. near Marion, Pa, Farm machinery and 40 tractors, 10 00 a. m.

March 7 — Along the road leading from Manheim to Lancaster, known as the Fruitville Pike, stock and implements by William Bredthauer.

March 8 — About seven miles east of Elizabethtown close to Chiques Church, stock and implements by C. B Oberholtzer.

March 8 — East of Lancaster, along Route 30, at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, 75 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited Guernseys, sale managed by Wm. Juzi, for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg, Pa.

March 8—Clyde E. Keener, 1½ miles north of Lancaster at intersection of Manheim and Harrisburg Pikes, routes 72 and 230, farm machinery and 40 tractors, 10:00 a. m.

March 9 — Along the road from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, one-half mile from Maytown, on the Joe Bixler Farm, stock and implements by Jay W. Brandt.

March 10—Dick Sohuhman, Shermandale Pa., Perry County, Ferguson dealer, 20 tractors and farm machinery. 12:00 noon.

March 10—Wm. R. Dorwart, Aberdeen Mill, along pike 4 miles north of Elizabethtown, Pa., 54-acre farm, four cows, Machinery and furniture. 12:00 noon.

March 10 — Valuable real estate, cattle, implements and furniture, on pike, midway between Aberdeen Mill and Deodate, seven miles east of Middletown, four miles north of Elizabethtown; 54-acre farm, Wm. R. Dorwart and Mary Ann Dorwart, owners, 12:30 noon.

March 10 — Close to Donegal Springs along road leading from Maytown to Landis Stone Meal Plant, stock, implements, some household furniture, by Engle E. Shelly.

March 10 — Livestock, implements, in Elstonville, Frank Ruhl.

March 12—Omer B. Landis, ½ mile east of Elizabethtown Pa. along Manheim Pike, Cattle, poultry, tractors, and farm machinery. 12 30 noon.

March 12 — At Ellottsburg, Perry County, 65 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited and vaccinated Holsteins, sale managed by Harvey Rettew, Carl Kennedy, owner.

March 12 — Livestock, farm equipment, furniture, one-half mile east of Elizabethtown, along Manheim Pike; 15 cows, 350 chickens, four tractors, farm machinery, corn, poultry equipment, furniture, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Landis, 12 noon.

March 13 — Along the road leading from Mount Joy to Milton Grove, about three miles North of Mount Joy, two miles south of Milton Grove, stock and implements by Amos H. Mummau.

March 14 — Along the road leading from Rheems to Donegal Springs at Hersh Blacksmith Shop on Cameron Farm, stock and implements by Carl Ginder.

March 15 — East of Lancaster along Route 30 at Guernsey Sale Pavilion, 75 head of purebred bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Guernseys, managed by Wm. Juzi for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg.

March 15 — Livestock, implements, between Mastersonville and Colebrook, Isaac Wenger

March 17 — At Cleona, annual spring sale of 125 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited some vaccinated Canadian Holsteins, 150 head of hogs, by Russell Heilman & Sons.

March 17 — Livestock, implements, 2 mi northwest Manheim Elvin Snavely.

March 20—Melvin C. Boyce, Reg and grade Holstein and Guernsey cows, one Reg Bull

March 22—Clyde E. Keener, 1½ miles north of Lancaster at intersection of Manheim and Harrisburg Pikes, routes 72 and 230, farm machinery and 50 tractors 11.00 a. m.

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An electric Skilsaw bringing headlined the carpenter and ctrical tools sale at the home Howard Kline, between Brickville and Clay. Frank Snyder, Denver auctioneer, had high s of $59 for a power lawn wer, electric drills from $24 $54, extension ladder $20, te hanging set $6.30, saws 50 jacks $7, sink $20, rug cream and sugar set $15.

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A tractor-cultivator sold for $1135 in the farm equipment-crop sale Monday at Gap. Seller was Jesse J. Byler, auctioneer Leroy Zook.

Other auction highlights included a tractor at $335, baler $1020, corn $42 per ton, hay $31 per ton, straw $23 50 per ton. A manure spreader sold for $250, side delivery rake $225, wagon $150 and ensilage cutter $150.

Harold E. Stassen, special advisor to President Eisenhower on disarmament, is scheduled to make a tour of Far East to stress peace and disarmament.

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Turkey Growers Fewer; Flock Size Increases, Purina Friends Advised

By LF Staff Reporter

PALMYRA, Pa. — Turkeys came of age during World War II and popularity of this meat has grown by leaps and bounds since that time, 250 Ralston Purina dealers and friends were told at a meeting in the American Legion Home here Thursday

Today there are fewer growers, yet flock size today averages more than double the numbers in 1945, the southeastern Pennsylvania audience was told.

Emphasis was placed on 1, good breeding, 2. sound management, 3, careful sanitation, and 4, good feeding. It takes two pounds of feed to produce one pound of gain in a poult, three pounds of feed for the same gain in one eight weeks old. The older the bird is, the less efficient he is in converting feed into meat Birds 20 to 24 weeks take eight pounds of feed to produce one pound of gain

Opportunities in Turkeys

There are opportunities in the turkey business today, for the average American today consumes five pounds of turkey each year, 23 pounds of poultry, and 175 pound of beef, but at present rates, the turkey consumption will grow and grow.

Emphasis was placed heavily on management. Growers should strive to increase livability, and to make better conversion of feed During the meeting a film strip was shown of the turkey operations on the Norman Fries Farm, near Bellevile, Ill., just outside St. Louis, Mo, headquarters of Ralston Purina. Mr. Fries has established a record that is enviable — 98 6 per cent livability.

Comparing 1945 with the present, and with Mr. Fries' record, ten years ago it took five or six pounds of feed to produce one pound of meat. Livability of 80 per cent was considered about tops. While the average flock doubled in size, the number of growers was cut 25 to 27 per cent in the past ten years.

Among those attending were H. C Weaver, district sales supervisor, Dr. Phil Vardiman, veterinarian in the Ralston Purina pathology laboratory from St Louis; Hollis Humphrey, manager of Poultry Fattening Chows for the Eastern Region, and Tom Barnidge, manager of film production in sales promotion.

Talk On Disease Control

Dr Vardiman gave an interesting talk with illustrations on disease control He emphasized the importance of getting the whole story on disease outbreak. Company laboratories, and, as in Pennsylvania, state laboratories are available for quick pathological examinations. In such cases, where disease strikes, growers are urged to submit six live specimens if they can. Dr. Vardiman emphasized, "If you are getting good service locally on diagnosis, continue using the local service"

What percentage of turkey losses in the nation are the result of disease? Dr Vardiman answered 58 per cent of losses can be attributed to disease, 42 per cent to management — or lack of it. Among those in the management bracket were lack of feeding space, overcrowding, picking, chilling, cannibalism, suffocation and overheating.

"You can control management losses, but you need help to control infectious diseases," he explained.

Luncheon Features Turkey

Others representing the company were G. R. Richardson, manager of the Pennsylvania mostly steady this week. Bulk good and choice wooled slaughter lambs $19.00-21.50 a few choice 80-90-lb weights to $22.00. Utility and low good brought $15.00-18.50. A small lot 65-lb winter new-crop lambs brought $24.00. Division, Harrisburg; and A. E. Williams, district sales manager, Doylestown

The film on Mr. Fries' operation followed the entire 1955 operations from the time poults were ordered until birds were marketed The Purina program in both feeding and sanitation was stressed. A new 16 mm film, "Behind the Checkerboard Bag," took the guests through the feed processing, from securing ingredients all over the world to micro-mixing.

At noon, a bounteous luncheon — featuring roast turkey, of course — was served in the two dining rooms of the Legion club.

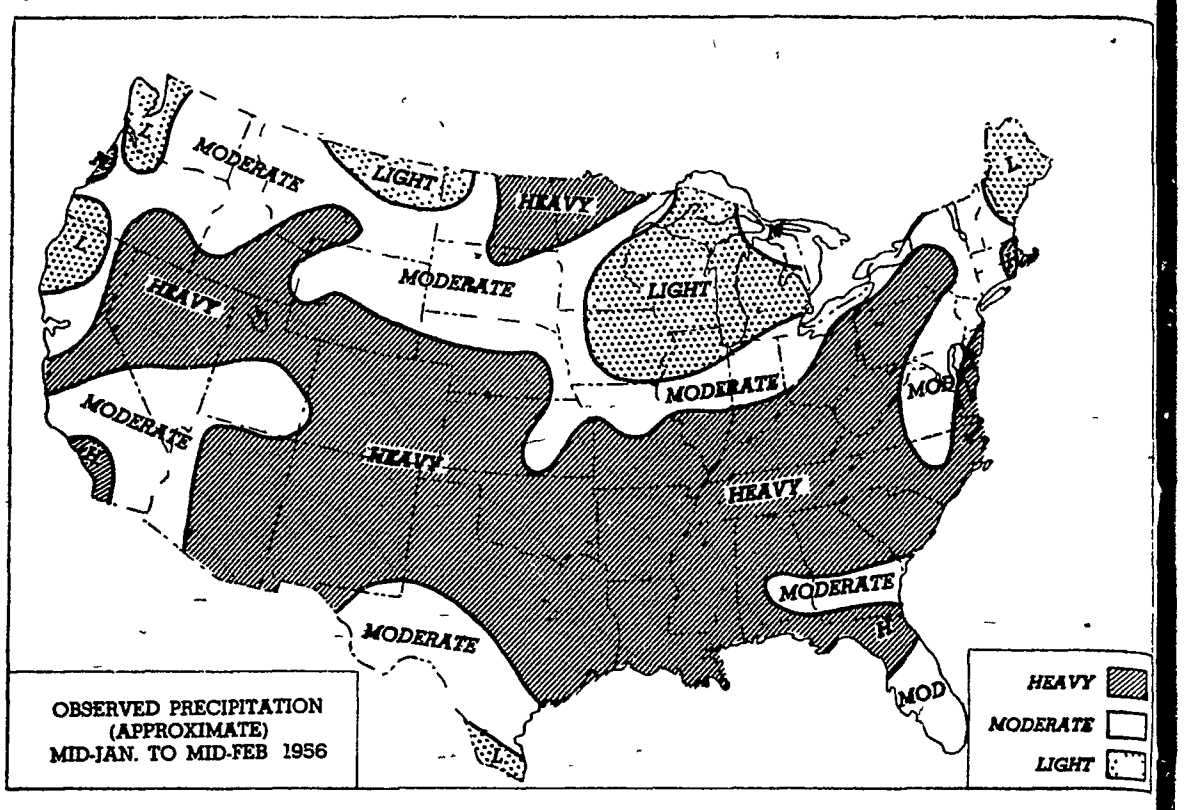
Robert Kreider New 4-H Tractor Chief

Robert Kreider, son of Mr and Mrs Clyde Kreider, R1 Quarryville, will serve during the coming year as president of the Southern Lancaster County 4-H Tractor Club

He was elected at a meeting this week at the Conestoga Farm Service in Quarryville. Other officers elected were Donald Herr, vice president; Glenn Aument, secretary; Eike Grevel, International Farm Youth Exchange student from Germany, treasurer, and John Wagner, news reporter.

This is Mr. Kreider's first year as a member. Nineteen attended.

Preceiptation — Preceding 30 Days



This chart shows the general nature of the total precipitation which fell during the preceding 30 days. Precipitation is expressed in three classes: light, moderate, and heavy, and the precipitation amounts which determine these classes are obtained from an analysis of many years of record at many stations. Like temperature classes, the numerical ranges, varying from place to place and month to month, are given on page 4 of the Outlook issued one month ago.

Miss Ruth K Kimble, Lancaster County home economist, addressed a meeting of the Middle Creek Homemakers Club at the home of Mrs. Daniel A. Brubaker, Ephrata R1, Tuesday

CHICK PRODUCTION UP

Pennsylvania chick production in January struck an all-time record of 7,603,000, up 46 per cent from the Jan, 1955 hatch, and considerably above the previous record of 7,200,000 in Jan. 1954. A near-record hatch is indicated for February. For the United States, a record was rung up too with a total near 150 millions.

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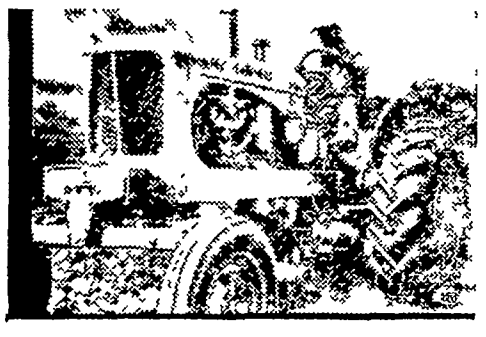

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